

**TOWN OF HAMILTON  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MAY 24, 2010**

The Board of Selectmen met at the Hamilton Town Hall at 7:03 p.m. on Monday, May 24, 2010 with David Carey, William Bowler, Jennifer Scuteri, Jeff Stinson and Marc Johnson present. Town Manager Michael Lombardo, DPW Director John Tomasz, Historic District Commission chair Tom Catalano, CPA coordinator Christine Berry, Green Communities consultant Sue Patroliia and Town Administrator Candace Wheeler also present.

**Representatives of the American Legion**

Jack Akin from the American Legion described the upcoming Memorial Day events and invited the Selectmen to a breakfast at the Legion hall.

**Reorganization of the Board**

Now that Town Manager Michael Lombardo and the five-member Board of Selectmen are in place, the goals for the Board will be focused on reducing costs, increasing revenues (not through residential property taxes), managing assets, people and risk, and improving Town services.

The Board voted unanimously for Jennifer Scuteri, chairman of the Board, William Bowler, vice chairman, and David Carey, secretary, for the upcoming year.

It was agreed that Carey would still run the Selectmen's meetings.

**Approve Eagle Scout Project for Jack Huang**

Jack Huang of 5 Ricker Circle proposed building two kiosks containing historical information about Hamilton to be installed at Patton Park for his Eagle Scout project.

David Carey entertained a motion to authorize the Boy Scouts to build and install the kiosks for the Town of Hamilton. William Bowler so moved. Jennifer Scuteri seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

**Painting Town Hall exterior**

Discussion was with Allison Jenkins on identifying historic color of Town Hall in preparation for exterior paint job to be done soon. Historic New England will be consulted by Historic District Commission chair Tom Catalano about its pallet of historic colors.

The interior painting slated for the Memorial Room will be done without using historically correct colors.

**Green Communities Grant Funding Application – Final**

At 1:00 p.m. tomorrow the Town will learn if it was selected to receive Green Communities grant funding in the amount of \$167,800. It could be used to buy down some ESCo funding and/or pay for green lighting at the Patton Park recreation fields.

The Hamilton-Wenham Regional School District is also applying for a Green Communities grant in the amount of \$345,000 and should receive high priority since it is a regional entity.

Scuteri entertained a motion to give Town Manager Michael Lombardo the authority to execute the applications for the Green Communities grant. Bowler so moved. Carey seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

**Sustainable Materials Recovery Grant – review for final approval on June 1st**

Discussion was on focus of grant if received where the Town would work with surrounding communities on a regional waste disposal program starting with a Town-wide organic waste program in Hamilton. There should be economies of scale and savings that make pursuit worthwhile for the Town especially if the grant could potentially fund a coordinator's position.

**Environmental Purchasing Policy (for SMRP grant) – review**

Discussion on how Green Communities are encouraged to use ecological paper and cleaning supplies. This will be considered if it makes sense for Hamilton based on cost.

On a related housekeeping item, Scuteri entertained a motion to have Town Manager Michael Lombardo sign the agreement between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Department of Environmental Protection regarding the \$7,000 grant for the

organic waste program bins. Marc Johnson so moved. Bowler seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

**MPO Elections**

Scuteri entertained a motion for the Board to support the candidacy of Mayor William Scanlon of Beverly for the Boston region, Metropolitan Planning Organization. Bowler so moved. Jeff Stinson seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

**Minutes Approval**

Selectmen Scuteri, Bowler and Carey voted on Board minutes from meetings prior to the Board going to five members.

Scuteri entertained a motion for the Board to approve regular session 2010 minutes for February 1, 8, 12 and March 1, 8, 11, 17, 22, 25 and January 25, February 9, March 5 and 6. Bowler so moved. Carey seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

Scuteri entertained a motion for the Board to approve executive session 2010 minutes for February 1, 8, 12 and March 1, 8, 11, 17, 22, and 25. Bowler so moved. Carey seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

**Municipal Health Insurance Plan Reform**

Discussion was on taking health insurance plan design out of collective bargaining. The Board was in favor of supporting this change as outlined by MMA to be taken up by the Senate. Lombardo will communicate with Senate Bruce Tarr's office on behalf of the Selectmen.

**MMA Leadership Conference**

Lombardo and the new Selectmen will attend the MMA Leadership Conference.

**Regionalization Advisory Commission**

Selectmen will review report from the Regionalization Advisory Commission.

**Draft Thank You letter re: Boston College MBA student projects**

Bowler will draft a thank you letter to Professor O'Reilly of Boston College for the assistance the Town received from MBA students.

**BOS meetings schedule**

Selectmen discussed how they would like to meet every other week in the future. A retreat on a Saturday morning from 8:30 a.m. to noon will be scheduled so the Board can define its goals.

Scuteri entertained a motion to adjourn at 8:26 p.m. Bowler so moved. Carey seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by Jane Dooley, Minutes Secretary

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk